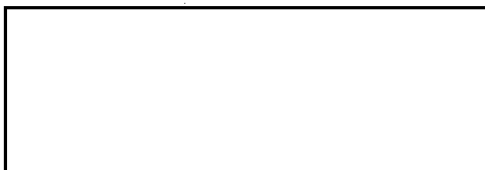


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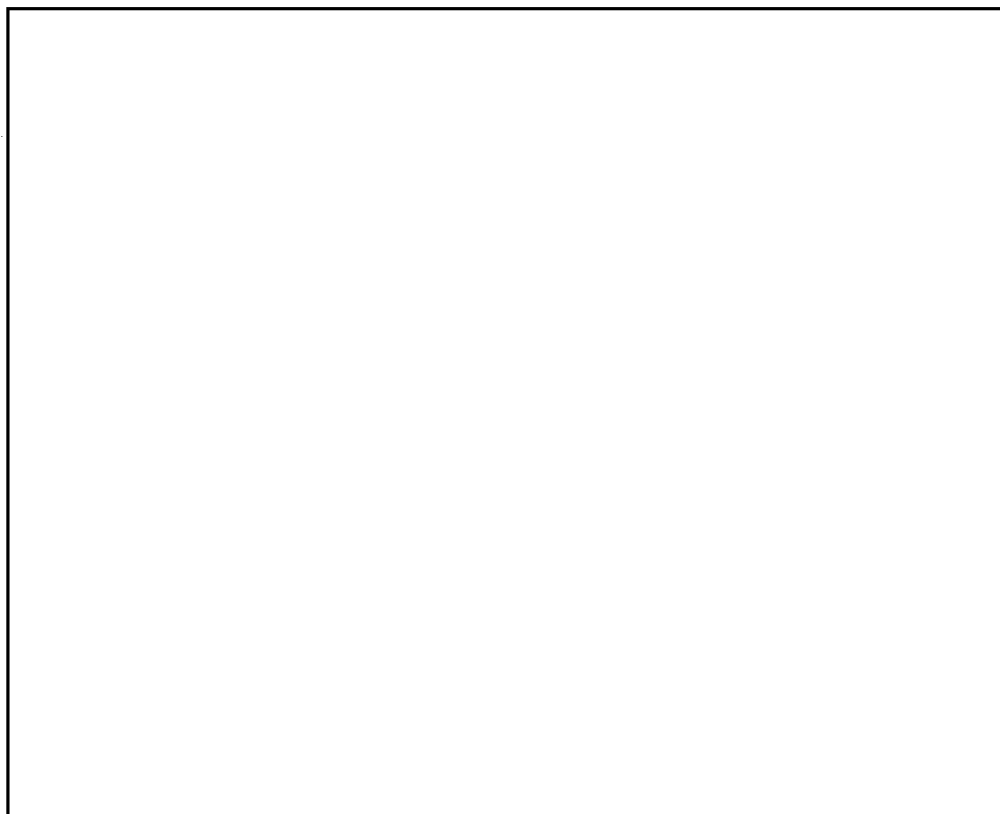
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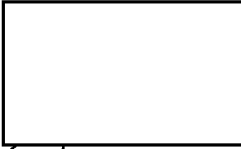
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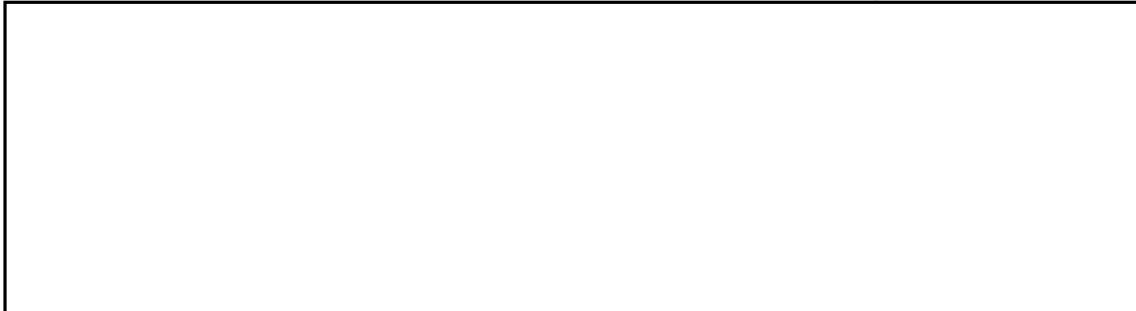
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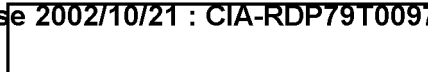


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1. BONN CABINET SHAKEN BY ATOMIC DISPUTE

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West German atomic affairs minister Balke has threatened to resign because of a dispute with Chancellor Adenauer and Defense Minister Strauss over equipment of the West German army with atomic weapons.

Adenauer has demanded that Balke retract his statements in support of the position of a group of leading German nuclear scientists who on 12 April stated that West Germany could best protect itself and serve world peace by refusing to participate in an atomic weapons program.

Comment

Chancellor Adenauer's political opposition has charged that he has kept the public in the dark about secret negotiations on atomic weapons. This is the hottest issue that has arisen in the election campaign. Some members of Adenauer's Christian Democratic Union believe he took too hasty a stand on this issue.

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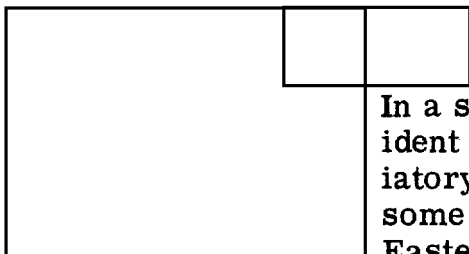
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4. TITO UNRECEPTIVE TO NEW SOVIET LINE

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In a speech on 18 April, Yugoslav president Tito rejected recent Soviet conciliatory remarks and indicated clearly that some major shift in Soviet policy toward Eastern Europe would be required before a return to harmonious relations with Belgrade would be possible.

Tito stated that Khrushchev's remarks on 15 April stressing the need to improve relations had "aroused a spark of hope" but that they were followed up by Suslov's attack on Yugoslavia for "national Communism" and "revisionism." "Whom are you to believe now? Today one speaks in this way, then tomorrow another turns by 180 degrees," Tito declared. He claimed he was seriously worried by Albania's Soviet-inspired attempt to stir up its minority in Yugoslavia and the possibility of Hungary's doing the same. In a remark sure to inspire a counterattack, Tito asserted that, while Soviet leaders had made some revision of "Stalinist tendencies in their policy, these tendencies still have root in their policy toward other countries in general."

Tito professed a willingness to argue problems reasonably, but added that he expected the other side to refrain from malevolent criticism of Yugoslavia, its internal system, and its relations with the West, which would not be changed.

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**5. KADAR REPORTEDLY MAY BE REPLACED AS
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Comment

Although there may be grounds for mutual dissatisfaction between Kadar and the USSR, Kadar apparently received Moscow's full blessing during his trip to the Soviet Union last month and still appears to be the USSR's first choice for the top Hungarian Communist position. A reshuffling of the major positions in Hungary is possible, but no purge of the leadership appears likely.

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On 18 April the American legation in Budapest reported rumors [redacted]

[redacted] the first such rumors since before Kadar's trip to Moscow--that Istvan Dobi, currently president of the Presidential Council, might replace Kadar as premier, with Kadar retaining his post as party first secretary. This would restore the separation of the party and government leadership, normal throughout the Satellites.

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